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IMPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE RAW IN-SHELL PISTACHIOS FROM IRAN

Return completed questionnaire to:

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Office of Investigations, Room 615 500 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20436

So as to be received by the Commission by no later than August 12, 2005

The information called for in this questionnaire is for use by the United States International Trade Commission in connection with its antidumping review investigation concerning raw in-shell pistachios from Iran (inv. No. 731-TA-287 (Review)). The information requested in the questionnaire is requested under the authority of the Tariff Act of 1930, title VII. This report is mandatory and failure to reply as directed can result in a subpoena or other order to compel the submission of records or information in your possession (19 U.S.C. § 1333(a)).

Name of			
Address			
City		State Zip	code
World W	ide Web address		
	UR FIRM IMPORTED RAW IN-SHELL PIS T) FROM ANY COUNTRY AT ANY TIME		E INSTRUCTION
\square_{NO}	(Sign the certification below and promptly re	turn only this page of the questionna	ire to the Commission)
YES	(Read the instruction booklet carefully, compreturn the entire questionnaire to the Commis	lete all parts of the questionnaire, sig sion)	gn the certification, and
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	CERTI	FICATION	
	nformation herein supplied in response to this q tand that the information submitted is subject		
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	questionnaire and throughout this review in o he same or similar merchandise. (If you do no		
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PART I.--GENERAL QUESTIONS

The questions in this questionnaire have been reviewed with market participants to ensure that issues of concern are adequately addressed and that data requests are sufficient, meaningful, and as limited as possible. Public reporting burden for this questionnaire is estimated to average 30 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering the data needed, and completing and reviewing the questionnaire. Send comments regarding the accuracy of this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20436.

	ne actual number of hours required a naire and completing the form.	nd the cost to your firm	of preparing the
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	ny comments you may have for impaquestions. Please attach such comm		
	address of establishment(s) covered t for reporting guidelines). If your fi d trading symbol.		
Is your firm owned, in	n whole or in part, by any other firm	?	
	esList the following information.		
LINO LIY	esList the following information.	Extent	of
Firm name	<u>Address</u>	ownersl	<u>hip</u>
importing raw in-shel	any related firms, either domestic or l pistachios from Iran into the United pistachios from Iran to the United S	d States or which are en	
\square_{No} \square_{Y}	esList the following information.		
Firm name	Address	<u>Affiliat</u>	<u>ion</u>
			

PART I.--GENERAL QUESTIONS--Continued

∐No ∐Y	esList the following information	on.
Country/firm name	Address	<u>Affiliation</u>
Does your firm have a production of raw in-		c or foreign, which are engaged in t
□ No □ Y	esList the following information	on.
Firm name	Address	Affiliation
Please indicate the na than one answer may		erations on raw in-shell pistachios.
Importer of record	ı	Takes title to the imported product(s
Consignee of the	imported product(s)	Customs broker or freight forwarder
•	orter of record of raw in-shell pi (company name, address, teleph	stachios but is <u>not</u> the consignee, poone, and individual to contact).
	er your firm enters raw in-shell preign trade zones or bonded ward	pistachios into, or withdraws such

PART I.--GENERAL QUESTIONS--Continued

I-10.	Please indicate whether your firm imports raw in-shell pistachios under the TIB (temporary importation under bond) program.	
	□ No □ Yes	
I-11.	In Parts II and III of this questionnaire we request a copy of your company's business plan. Doe your company or any related firm have a business plan or any internal documents that describe, discuss, or analyze expected future market conditions for raw in-shell pistachios?	S
	No YesPlease provide the requested documents. If you are not providing the requested documents, please explain why not.	
I-12.	To your knowledge, have the products subject to this review been the subject of any other imporrelief investigations in the United States or in any other countries?	t
	No YesPlease specify.	
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PART	IITRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION	_
	r information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Fred Fischer (202-205-3179 oscher@usitc.gov). Supply all data requested on a <u>crop-year</u> basis.	r
II-1.	Who should be contacted regarding the requested trade and related information?	
	Company contact: Name and title	_
	Phone No. E-mail address	_
II-2.	Is your firm a member of the California Pistachio Commission (CPC)? No Yes–Indicate the year your firm became a member of this organization.	
II-3.	Is your firm a member of the Western Pistachio Association (WPA)? No Yes–Indicate the year your firm became a member of this organization.	_

Has your firm been	a member of a pistachio cooperative	at any time since 1986?
the	perative, and briefly describe the busing	ative, the year your firm joined such a iness relationship between your firm and r a cooperative member, please describe
	porting operations, please indicate the level (check all that apply):	e pistachio-related activities with which
Grower of pista	chios Processor/Dryer	Roaster
Bagger/Rebagge	er Distributor	Other:
b. If your firm chec firm's primary	_	scribe which of these activities is your
c. What percentage	of your firm's operations would you	ascribe to each activity?
a. Does your firm i	mport agricultural products other than	n pistachios?
□No	Yes-Describe the other products	imported.
•	orted products in addition to pistachio your firm's total annual sales in crop	•
consolidations, clos failure, or any other	rienced any plant openings, relocation	e of strikes, weather, or equipment
under review becam	change in the character of your opera in-shell pistachios since 1986 (the yea	ar in which the antidumping duty order
under review becam	change in the character of your opera in-shell pistachios since 1986 (the yea ne effective)?	

II-8.	Does your firm anticipate any changes in the character of your operations or organization (as noted above) relating to the importation of raw in-shell pistachios in the future?
	No YesSupply details as to the time, nature, and significance of such changes and provide underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address this issue.
II-9.	Would your firm anticipate any changes in the character of your operations or organization (as noted above) relating to the importation of subject raw in-shell pistachios in the future if the antidumping duty order on raw in-shell pistachios from Iran were to be revoked?
	No YesSupply details as to the time, nature, and significance of such changes and provide underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address this issue.
II-10.	Has your firm imported or arranged for the importation of subject raw in-shell pistachios from Iran for delivery after August 31, 2005?
	No YesIndicate when such orders are to be delivered and the quantities involved.
II-11.	If your firm also produces raw in-shell pistachios in the United States, please indicate your reasons for importing subject and/or nonsubject product. If your reasons differ by source, please elaborate.

Yes No--Please explain:

II-12.	IMPORTS BY SOURCE R	Report your fin	rm's import	s and your f	irm's shipm	ents and	
							hrough
						oages as you	ı need
	and identify the source for w	hich you are	reporting	in the space	e provided.		
		Iran	All other so	ources comb	oined ¹		
	(Quantity in 1,000	oounds, proce	essed weigh	t basis; valu	e in \$1,000)		
	Item		Crop y	ears (Septer	nber 1-Augu	st 31)	
	nom	1999/2000	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05
inventories of raw in-shell pistachios imported by your firm during crop years 1999/2000 through 2005/2005. (See definitions in the instruction booklet.) Photocopy as many pages as you need and identify the source for which you are reporting in the space provided. Iran							
IMPORTS:2				•	•		
Quantity	,						
Value							
U.S. SHIPM	IENTS:			•			
Comme	rcial shipments:						
Quar	ntity						
Value	е						
Internal	consumption/company transfers	:		•			
Quar	ntity						
Value	e ³						
EXPORT SI	HIPMENTS:⁴						
Quantity	,						
Value							
END-OF-PE	ERIOD INVENTORIES ⁵ (quantity)						
U.S. SHIPM (quantity)	IENTS TO DISTRIBUTORS						
U.S. SHIPM	IENTS TO END USERS (quantity)						
¹ Please i	dentify these sources:			•	•	•	<u> </u>
2							
² Please i	dentify the foreign producers, if known:						
valuing these	related firms (including internal consum sales within your company, please spec	option) must be voify that basis (e.	alued at fair mag., cost, cost p	arket value. In llus, etc.) and p	the event that rovide value da	you use a diffe ata using that b	rent basis for asis for 1998-
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" Identify	your principal export markets:						
⁵ Reconci	iliation of dataPlease note that the quate total shipments, equals end-of-period in	antities reported ventories. Do th	above should e data reported	reconcile as fo	llows: beginnir	ng-of-period inv	entories, plus

II-13.	If you reported internal consumption in question II-12, please describe the products into which the imported raw in-shell pistachios are processed.
II-14.	Describe the significance of the existing antidumping duty order covering imports of raw in-shell pistachios from Iran in terms of its effect on your firm's imports, U.S. shipments of imports, and inventories. You may wish to compare your firm's operations before and after the imposition of the order.
II-15.	Would your firm anticipate any changes in its imports, U.S. shipments of imports, or inventories of raw in-shell pistachios in the future if the antidumping duty order on raw in-shell pistachios from Iran were to be revoked?
	No YesSupply details as to the time, nature, and significance of such changes and provide underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, for any trends or projections you may provide.

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION--Continued

II-16. **SHIPMENTS OF IMPORTS**.--Please report the estimated quantity of your firm's U.S. shipments of in-shell pistachio nuts that were made to roasters, distributors, rebaggers, and to other for the specified periods.

(Quantity in 1,000 pounds, processed weight basis)

		Crop y	ears (Septem	ber 1-August	31)	
Item	1999/2000	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05
RAW IN-SHELL PISTACHIOS:	•					
Roasters:						
Related						
Unrelated						
Rebaggers:						
Related						
Unrelated						
Distributors:						
Related						
Unrelated						
Others (Identify):	_					
Related						
Unrelated						

PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Craig Thomsen (202-205-3226; craig.thomsen@ustic.gov).

III-1.		no should be contacted regarding the ormation?	e requested pricing and related
	Company contact:	Name and title	
		Phone No.	E-mail address

PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS

Section III-A.--PRICE DATA

This section requests quarterly quantity and value data on your firm's U.S. shipments of imports from Iran of the following products during July 1999-June 2005. Values should be for arms-length sales to unrelated U.S. customers, f.o.b. U.S. point of shipment, net of returns, refunds, discounts, and credits.

- <u>Product 1</u>. Raw in-shell pistachios, open in-shell, grade very large (sizes 18/20 and 20/22).
- Product 2. Raw in-shell pistachios, open in-shell, grade large (sizes 22/24, 24/26, and 21/25).
- <u>Product 3.</u> Raw in-shell pistachios, open in-shell, grade medium (sizes 26/28, 28/30, and 26/30).
- **Product 4.** Raw in-shell pistachios, open in-shell, grade small (sizes 30/32, 32/34, and other).

COPY THE FOLLOWING PAGE AS NECESSARY. Complete a separate page for each of the specified products imported and sold by your firm. Indicate in the space provided the product for which pricing is reported.

PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS--Continued

Section III-APRIC	II-A <u>PRICE DATA</u> Continued				
Product 1	Product 2	Product 3	Product 4		

	Spot s	sales	Long-term contract sales	
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value ¹	Quantity	Value ¹
1999:				
July-September				
October-December				
2000:				
January-March				
April-June				
July-September				
October-December				
2001:	•			
January-March				
April-June				
July-September				
October-December				
2002:	•			
January-March				
April-June				
July-September				
October-December				
2003:				
January-March				
April-June				
July-September				
October-December				
2004:				
January-March				
April-June				
July-September				
2005:				
January-March				
April-June				

¹ Net values (i.e., gross sales values less all discounts, allowances, rebates, prepaid freight, and the value of returned goods), f.o.b. your U.S. point of shipment.

Note.--If your Raw in-shell pistachios does not exactly meet the Raw in-shell pistachios specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of your product:

PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS--Continued

Unless otherwise instructed, please answer all questions in the rest of part III based on your firm's total U.S. sales/imports (the latter if an importing end-user) of its imported raw in-shell pistachios from Iran.

Section III-B.--PRICE-RELATED QUESTIONS

III-B-1. Please describe how your firm determines the prices that it charges for sales of raw in-s pistachios (transaction by transaction negotiation, contracts for multiple shipments, set lists, etc.). If your firm issues price lists, please include a copy of a recent price list wit submission. If your price list is large, please submit sample pages.					
III-B-2.	Please describe your firm's discount policy (quantity discounts, annual total volume discounts, etc.).				
III-B-3.	What are your firm's typical sales terms for raw in-shell pis 2/10 net 30 days)? On what basis are your p quoted (e.g., f.o.b. port of entry, or delivered)?	rices of such product usually			
III-B-4.	B-4. Approximately what share of your firm's sales of its raw in-shell pistachios imported from Iran in 2004 were on a (1) long-term contract basis (multiple deliveries for more than 12 months), (2) short-term contract basis (multiple deliveries up to 12 months), and (3) spot sa basis (for a single delivery)?				
	Type of sale	Share of sales (percent)			
Long-ter	m contracts				
Short-te	rm contracts				
Spot sal	es				
III-B-5.	If you sell raw in-shell pistachios on a long-term contract basis, please answer the following questions with respect to provisions of a typical long-term contract.				
	(a) What is the average duration of a contract?				
	(b) Can prices be renegotiated during the contract period? _				
	(c) Does the contract fix quantity, price, or both?				
	(d) Does the contract have a meet or release provision?				

PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS--Continued

Section III-B.--PRICE-RELATED QUESTIONS

III-B-6.	If you sell raw in-shell pistachios on a short-term contract basis, please answer the following questions with respect to provisions of a typical short-term contract.				
	(a) What is the average duration	on of a contract?			
	(b) Can prices be renegotiated	during the contract period?			
	(c) Does the contract fix quant	ity, price, or both?			
	(d) Does the contract have a m	eet or release provision?			
III-B-7.	What is the average lead time between a customer's order and the date of delivery for your firm's sales of raw in-shell pistachios?				
	Source	Share of 2004 sales	Lead time		
From inv	ventory				
Produce	ed to order				
Total		100%			
III-B-8.		ercentage of the total delivered costs by U.S. inland transportation cost			
	(b) Who generally arranges the transportation to your customers' locations? Your firm or purchaser (check one).				
(c) What proportion of your sales occur within 100 miles of your storage or production facility? percent. 101 to 1,000 miles? percent. Over 1,000 miles? percent.					
III-B-9. What is the geographic market area in the United States served by your firm's raw pistachios?					
	Northeast Mid-Atla	ntic Midwest	Southeast		
	Southwest R	ocky Mountains	Northwest		
	National C	Other (describe)			

PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS--Continued

III-B-10.			os that you import from Iran. For each accounted for by raw in-shell pistachios	
	End use	Share of total con (percent)	st accounted for by raw in-shell pistach	<u>ios</u>
				<u> </u>
III-B-11.		nges in the end uses of ra -Please describe.	aw in-shell pistachios since 1986?	
III-B-12.	No Yes-underlyin	-Please describe and idea	d uses of raw in-shell pistachios in the factority the time period. Provide any with relevant portions of business plans that address this issue.	
III-B-13.	(a) Please list in order of pistachios.	importance any products	s that may be substituted for raw in-she	11
	1)	2)	3)	
	(b) For each possible sub which they are substitutes		ive examples of applications and end us	ses for

PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS--Continued

III-B-13.	(c) Have changes in the prices of these products affected the price for raw in-shell pistachios?				
	No	Yes—To what degree do changes in their prices affect the price for raw inshell pistachios? Does this effect have a time lag? If so, how long is the time lag for each substitute product? Does this vary by type of raw in-shell pistachios or final end use?			
III-B-14.		en any changes in the number or types of products that can be substituted for stachios since 1986?			
	No	YesPlease explain.			
III-B-15.	Do you anticipate any changes in terms of the substitutability of other products for raw inshell pistachios in the future?				
	No	YesPlease describe. Provide any underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address this issue.			
III-B-16.	for raw in-shel material costs believe would	t have changes in the prices of raw materials affected your firm's selling prices I pistachios since 1986? Also discuss any anticipated changes in your raw in the future, identifying the time period(s) involved and the factor(s) that you be responsible for such changes. Provide any underlying assumptions, along portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address this			

PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS--Continued

III-B-17.	Have any changes occurred in any other factors affecting supply (e.g., changes in availability or prices of energy or labor; transportation conditions; production capacity and/or methods of production; technology; export markets; or alternative production opportunities) that affected the availability of U.Sproduced raw in-shell pistachios in the U.S. market since 1986?
	No YesPlease note the time period(s) of any such changes, the factors(s) involved, and the impact such changes had on your shipment volumes and prices.
III-B-18.	(a) Do you anticipate any changes in terms of the availability of raw in-shell pistachios imported from Iran in the U.S. market in the future?
	Increase No Change Decrease
	(b) If you anticipate changes in supply, please identify the changes including the time period and the impact of such changes on shipment volumes and prices. Provide any underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address this issue.
III-B-19.	Has the availability of imported raw in-shell pistachios changed since 1986? Please distinguish any changes with respect to imports from Iran and imports from other countries.
	No Yes–Please explain.
III-B-20.	Describe how easily your firm can shift its sales of raw in-shell pistachios between customers in the U.S. market and those in alternative country markets. In your discussion, please describe any contracts, other sales arrangements, or other constraints that would prevent or retard your firm from shifting raw in-shell pistachios between the U.S. and alternative country markets within a 12-month period. Provide any underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address this issue.

PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS--Continued

Section III-B.--<u>MARKET FACTORS</u>--Continued

III-B-21.	. Have there been any significant changes in the product range, product mix, or marketing (including sales over the internet) of raw in-shell pistachios since 1986?				
	No YesPlease describe and quantify if possible.				
III-B-22.	Do you anticipate any changes in terms of the product range, product mix, or marketing (including sales over the internet) of raw in-shell pistachios in the future? Provide any underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address this issue.				
	No YesPlease identify, including the time period.				
PART III	PRICING AND MARKET FACTORSContinued				
Section II	I-BMARKET FACTORSContinued				
III-B-23.	23. (a) How has demand within the United States for raw in-shell pistachios changed since 1999				
	Increased Unchanged Decreased				
	Other (describe)				
	What were the principal factors affecting changes in demand?				
	(b) How has demand outside the United States, if known, for raw in-shell pistachios changed since 1999?				
	Increased Unchanged Decreased				
	Other (describe)				
	What were the principal factors affecting changes in demand?				

PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS--Continued

Section III-B.--<u>MARKET FACTORS</u>--Continued

III-B-24.	Do you anticipate any changes in raw in-shell pistachios demand in the United States and, if known, the rest of the world?
	No YesPlease describe and identify the time period. Provide any underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address this issue.
III-B-25.	Please compare market prices of raw in-shell pistachios in the United States and non-U.S. markets, if known. Provide specific information as to time periods, regions for any price comparisons, level of trade for which comparisons are provided (such as retail prices, wholesale prices, prices paid to growers, or prices paid to processors/dryers by distributors), and the terms of sale and delivery (such as whether all prices used for comparison are on an f.o.b., c.i.f., or delivered basis).

PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS--Continued

Section III-B.--<u>MARKET FACTORS</u>--Continued

aware of that q production cap the other major	as a separate attachment to this request any studies, surveys, etc. that you are uantify and/or otherwise discuss raw in-shell pistachios supply (including acity and capacity utilization) and demand in (1) the United States, (2) each of producing/consuming countries, including Iran, and (3) the world as a whole. Interest is such data from 1986 to the present and forecasts for the future.		
Are your exports of raw in-shell pistachios subject to any tariff or non-tariff barriers to trade in other countries?			
No	YesPlease list the countries and describe any such barriers and any significant changes in such barriers that have occurred since 1986, or that are expected to occur in the future.		
Does your firm	sell raw in-shell pistachios over the internet?		
No	YesPlease describe, noting the estimated percentage of your firm's total sales of raw in-shell pistachios in 2004 accounted for by internet sales.		
	aware of that q production cap the other major Of particular in Are your export other countries No Does your firm		

PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS--Continued

III-B-29. Are raw in-shell pistachios produced in the United States and in other countries interchangeable (i.e., can they physically be used in the same applications)? Please indicate below, using "A" to indicate that the products from a specified country-pair are <i>always</i> interchangeable, "F" to indicate that the products are <i>frequently</i> interchangeable, "S" to indicate that the products are <i>sometimes</i> interchangeable, "N" to indicate that the products are <i>never</i> interchangeable, and "0" to indicate <i>no familiarity</i> with products from a specified country-pair. ¹						
Country-pair	United States	Iran (subject)	Iran (nonsubject)	Other countries		
United States						
Iran (subject)						
Iran (nonsubject)						
¹ For any country-pair producing raw in-shell pistachios which is <i>sometimes or never</i> interchangeable, please explain the factors that limit or preclude interchangeable use:						

PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS--Continued

III-B-30. Are differences other than price (i.e., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, etc.) between raw in-shell pistachios produced in the United States and in other countries a significant factor in your firm's sales of the products? Please indicate below, using "A" to indicate that such differences are <i>always</i> significant, "F" to indicate that such differences are <i>frequently</i> significant, "S" to indicate that such differences are <i>sometimes</i> significant, "N" to indicate that such differences are <i>never</i> significant, and "0" to indicate <i>no familiarity</i> with products from a specified country-pair. ¹						
Country-pair	United States	Iran (subject)	Iran (nonsubject)	Other countries		
United States						
Iran (subject)						
Iran (nonsubject)						
¹ For any country-pair for which factors other than price <i>always or frequently</i> are a significant factor in your firm's sales of raw in-shell pistachios, identify the country-pair and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:						

PART III.-PRICING AND RELATED INFORMATION-Continued

Section III-C.-CUSTOMER IDENTIFICATION

Please provide the names and addresses of your firm's 10 largest domestic customers for raw in-shell pistachios imported from Iran during September 1999-June 2005. Please also provide the name and telephone number of a contact person and the share of the quantity of your firm's total imports of raw in-shell pistachios from Iran that each of these customers accounted for in 2004.

No.	Customer's name	Street address (<u>not</u> P.O. box), state, and zip code	Contact person	Area code and telephone number	Share of 2004 sales (%)
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					